

10. That, while a small majority of respondents want a "medium" DRCP on their new rifles, an appreciable percentage want either more or less than "medium" drop

The findings -

All Respondents

"Medium" drop	58.20%
Full drop	25.18%
Short drop	16.62%

As a whole, "gun nuts" appear to want straighter stocks (less drop) than do sportsmen who are less interested in shooting:

	<u>"Medium" Drop</u>	<u>Full Drop</u>	<u>Short Drop</u>
"Gun Nuts"	52.55%	22.55%	24.90%
Regular shooters	61.20	24.63	14.17
Occasional and "Seldom" shooters	59.40	29.10	11.50

Perhaps part, at least, of the difference in preferences as to drop is due to different degrees of interest in 'scope sights:

Specify 'scope sights

"Gun Nuts"	38.8%
Regular shooters	31.2
Occasional and "seldom" shooters	27.8

Some correlation between amount of drop and shooters' stature might be expected. This on the theory that taller men have longer necks and require (or think they require) greater drop. In this connection, the following data are interesting:

<u>Drop Specified</u>	<u>Average Height of Shooter</u>
Full	5 feet 9.397 inches
"Medium"	5 feet 9.024 inches
Short	5 feet 8.735 inches

The difference in stature compared to the difference in degree of drop specified is as follows:

	<u>Increase in Stature (1)</u>	<u>Increase in Drop (2)</u>
Short drop	--	--
"Medium" drop	.289 inches	.375 inches
Full drop	.662 inches	.750 inches
(1) From persons wanting short drop		
(2) From short drop rifles		